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**ISOLATION AND PROTECTION OF FIRMWARE-ONLY DISK AREAS**

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Application No. 10/803,950-Conf. #7168	Filing Date March 19, 2004	Examiner S. C. Elmore	Art Unit 2185

Applicant(s): Rothman et al.

Invention: ISOLATION AND PROTECTION OF FIRMWARE-ONLY DISK AREAS

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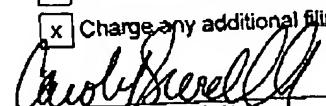
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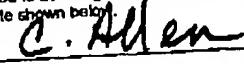
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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

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Multiple dependent claims

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Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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